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February 17, 1976

Hall of Fame for Great Americans
2 Washington Square Village
New York, New York 10012

To the Electors:

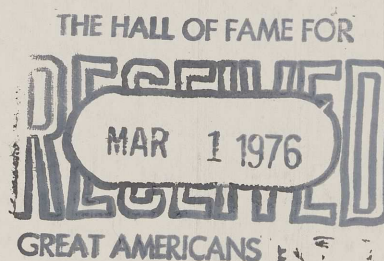
I wish to endorse the nomination of Miss Clara Barton for election to the Hall of Fame for Great Americans. Miss Barton exemplified throughout her life the true meaning of humanitarianism. She brought relief to the suffering first during the Civil War and later to victims of flood and famine. Founder of the American Red Cross, this organization has continued her philosophy of relief to the suffering in times of distress.

Clara Barton lived and died for people. She administered aid and comfort to sufferers throughout the world. Her philanthropic work and concern for others emphasized the belief that one should strive to help one's fellowman in time of need and distress. She was a woman of great courage and determination. Miss Barton deserves a place of honor among America's "Great" and is worthy of Election in 1976, the Nation's Bicentennial year.

I would like to request your kind consideration of casting a vote for Miss Barton in April 1976.

Sincerely yours,

Virginia R. Harding



ELECTION 1976

The Hall of Fame for Great Americans

Form of Proposal for Candidates

Any citizen of the United States may propose the name of a man or woman who was a citizen and who has been deceased twenty-five years or more. Nominations must be made between April 1, 1975, and April 1, 1976. In the 1973 Election, the following candidates received twenty votes or more, and, by reason of that fact, their names will appear upon the 1976 ballot without the formality of a new nomination:

Clara Barton, Andrew Carnegie, Jefferson Davis, Henry Ford,
George Gershwin, Adolph S. Ochs, John Frank Stevens,
Noah Webster, William Henry Welch

Name of candidate Clara Barton

Date and place of birth Dec. 25, 1821 - Oxford, Mass.

Date and place of death Apr. 12, 1912 - Glen Echo, Md.

Grounds on which the nomination is made. (Elaborate data are not necessary, but published sources of further information may be cited.)

Her humanitarian acts throughout her lifetime should assure her of a place on the Hall of Fame for Great Americans.

The nurse corps which she organized in ^{the} Civil War and the prisoner census were very unselfish acts and of great value to her Country.

Name and address of proposer Virginia R. Harding, 20 Maple St., W. Boylston, Ma.

Date of proposal February 25, 1976

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